FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND AUDITOR'S REPORT FRIEND'S OF NORD, INC.

For the year ended December 31, 2002

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A PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTING CORPORATION

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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To the Board of Trustees of Friend's of NORD, Inc.

I have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of Friend's of NORD, Inc. (a nonprofit organization) as of December 31, 2002 and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Organization's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these statements based on my audits.

I conducted my audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require I perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audits provide a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Friend's of NORD, Inc. as of December 31, 2002 and its changes in net assets for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued my report dated March 26, 2003 in my consideration of Friend's of NORD internal control over financial reporting and my test of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results

Ernest J. Folse III,

Certified Public Accountant

March 26, 2003

FRIEND'S OF NORD, INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

ASSETS	# _≤
Current Cash	\$465,449
Total Assets	<u>\$465,449</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Liabilities (All Current) Account Payable Payroll Taxes Payable	22,719 7,680
Total Liabilities	30,399
Net Assets Unrestricted Temporarily Restricted	29,530 405,520
Total Net Assets	435,050
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u>\$465,449</u>

FRIEND'S OF NORD, INC. STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,2002

SUPPORT AND REVENUES	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
Current Year Award			
Grant/contract support	\$	\$154,775	\$154,775
Contributions	303,362		303,362
Interest income	6,468		6,468
Other income	11,062		11,062
Contributed Services:			·
Accounting	20,815		20,815
Legal	2,641		2,641
Net assets released from restrictions			
Satisfaction of purpose restrictions		(869)	(869)
Total support and revenue	344,349	153,906	498,255
EXPENSES			
Programs:			
Project Playground	231,513		231,513
Partnerships In Recreation	94,699	200 to 200 to 100 to	94,699
Total program expenses	326,212		326,212
Administrative Expenses Contributed Services:	155,555		155,555
Accounting	20,815		20,815
Legal	2,641		2,641
Total expenses	505,223		505,223
Increase (Decrease) In Net Assets	(160,874)	153,906	(6,968)
Net Assets, December 31, 2001	190,404	251,614	442,018
Net Assets, December 31, 2002	\$29,530	\$405,520	\$435,050

FRIEND'S OF NORD, INC. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,2002

Cash Flows From Operating Activities:	Total
Change in Net Assets Adjustment to Reconcile Change in Net Assets to Net Cash Used for Operating Activities:	(\$6,968)
Increase in Accounts Payable	22,719
Increase in Payroll Taxes Payable	1,921
Net Cash from Operations	17,672
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:	
Net Cash Used By Investing Activities	
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:	
Net Cash Used By Financing Activities	0
Net Decrease in Cash	17,672
Cash and Cash Equivalents, December 31, 2001	447,777
Cash and Cash Equivalents, December 31,2002	\$465,449

LOUISIANA STADIUM EXPOSITION DISTRICT STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,2002

	Program Services	Support Services	
	Louisiana Stadium Exposition	Administration Expenses	Totals
EXPENSES:	•		
Athletic uniforms	\$520	\$	\$520
Equipment Furniture and fixtures	39,538		39,538
Supplies	24,012		0 24,012
Total Expenses	\$64,069	\$	\$64,069

FRIENDS OF NORD, Inc.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2002

Note A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A summary of the significant accounting policies consistently applied in the preparation of the accompanying financial statements follows:

1. Organization

Friends of NORD, Inc. is a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana. The mission statement of the corporation is to raise funds and foster public participation for the revitalization of New Orlean's treasured neighborhood playgrounds and to provide funding for after-school educational recreation programs. The corporation's support comes from individuals, corporate donations, foundation grants and government funding grants.

2. Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. They are presented on the accrual basis of accounting.

3. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

4. Cash Equivalents

The Corporation considers all demand deposits and short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

FRIENDS OF NORD, Inc.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2002

5. Financial Statement Presentation

In 1995 the Organization adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 117, "Financial Statements of Not-for Profit Organizations." Under SFAS No. 117, the Organization is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets; unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets. In addition, the Organization is required to present a Statement of Cash Flows. As permitted by this new statement, the Organization has discontinued its use of fund accounting and has, accordingly, reclassified its financial statements to present three classes of net assets required.

6. Public Support and Revenue

Grants and other contributions of cash and other assets are reported as temporarily restricted support if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of donor assets. When a donor restriction expires that is when a purpose restriction is accomplished, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net asset and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from retractions. Pledges and other unrestricted income are included in unrestricted net assets.

During the year of 2002 the Corporation received conditional pledges from a combination of private and government donors in an amount over \$1,800,000.00. Pledges are expected to be received over the period of 2003 through 2007.

NOTE B - INCOME TAXES

The Corporation is a not-for-profit organization that is exempt from corporate income taxes under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

NOTE C - ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT (CONTRIBUTED SERVICES)

The Corporation received administrative support for the period of this audit in the form of contributed services for legal and accounting services. No compensation was paid for these services. The support is reflected in the financial statements and is valued at the contributors stated billing rates.

FRIENDS OF NORD, Inc.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2002

NOTE D - BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMPENSATION

The Board of Directors is a voluntary board; therefore, no compensation was paid to any Board Member during the period from inception through December 31, 2002.

NOTE E - TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Temporarily restricted net assets are available for the following purposes or periods:

Specific grant programs

\$153,906

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Total temporarily restricted net assets

\$153,906

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the purposes specified by donors as follows:

Purpose restriction accomplished: Louisiana Stadium Exposition \$ 869.00

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Trustees of Friends of NORD, Inc.

I have audited the financial statements of Friends of NORD, Inc.(a nonprofit corporation) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002, and have issued my report thereon dated March 26, 2003 I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Friends of NORD, Inc. financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit, and accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit, I considered Friends of NORD, Inc. internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. My consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. I noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that I consider to be material weaknesses.

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS (Continued)

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, others within the organization and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Ernest J. Folse III, CPA

New Orleans, LA March 26, 2003

Friend's of NORD, Inc. Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year Ended December 31, 2002

Section I – Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements	
An unqualified opinion was issued on the financial stateme	ents of the auditee.
Internal control over financial reporting:	
Material weakness(es) identified?	yes X no
Reportable condition(s) identified	
not considered to be material weaknesses?	yes X_none reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	yes <u>X</u> no
State Awards	
Internal Control over state programs:	
Material weakness(es) identified?	yes X no
Reportable condition(s) identified	
not considered to be material weakness(es)?	ves. X none reported